

**Preliminary Amendment of U.S. National Stage for International Application
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On a separate, new page 49, please add the following new section heading and paragraph containing an Abstract of the Disclosure:

--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods for treating the skin and/or hair comprising: (a) providing a composition comprising a sugar ester; and (b) contacting a substrate selected from the group consisting of skin and hair with the composition are described.--